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Many Bonds Sold Here In Aid War Efforts Prompt Appeal Response

"Buy War Bonds" to aid your government in the present war emergency went ringing out throughout the year 1942. For their purchase our citizens went to their postoffices, although a large number and amount had been subscribed for at various banks in nearby communities. It is fair to say however that the bulk of the business was through the postoffices. From the East Northfield postoffice, of which Merrit C. Skilton is postmaster, comes a fine report of achievement. During the year bond sales amounted to \$23,080.50, divided into monthly purchases as follows: January, \$3,637.50; February, \$993.75; March, \$1,631.25; April, \$1,387.50; May, \$1,556.25; June, \$1,912.50; July, \$1,331.25; August, \$1,893; September, \$1,650; October, \$3,037.50; November, \$1,912.50; December, \$2,137.50.

The total bond sale for the year consisted of 594 purchases. This is a fine record for the East Northfield postoffice and the demand for bonds goes constantly on from our citizens. In addition to the sale of bonds, there has been a consistent and steady buying of War Savings stamps.

Postmaster Lawrence Quinlan of the Northfield postoffice reports sales of bonds for the year amounting to \$13,987.50, the monthly sales beginning with January running as follows through the year: \$2,851.25; \$375.75; \$1,631.25; \$1,256.25; \$375.00; \$600.00; \$1,612.50; \$900.00; \$1,275.00; \$1,406.25; \$1,181.25; \$825.00. There was a total of 328 bond sales.

We have no report of the sales of the South Vernon or of the Mount Hermon postoffices.

Urgiewicz-Eichert

The marriage of Michael Matthew Urgiewicz of West Northfield and Miss Katherine Elizabeth Eichert of North Adams took place in St. Patrick's church at Northfield on Monday, December 28, at 8 a. m., with Rev. Father Krechow conducting the solemn high nuptial mass. The choir of the Millers Falls church sang the mass and its organist played the wedding march and recessional.

The bride wore a gown of white faille with net insertions on sweetheart neckline and long train. Her finger tip illusion veil had a bonnet cap edged with lilies of the valley. She carried a shower bouquet of white roses and baby breath.

The bridesmaid was Miss Katherine Zimmer of North Adams, a cousin of the bride, and she wore a gown of blossom blue maline with blue accessories and wore a Juliet cap of the same material. She carried a bouquet of pink roses. The bridegroom was attended by his brother, Joseph Urgiewicz.

Immediately after the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the groom's parents.

The bride was a former teacher in the public schools of Northfield and recently in North Adams. They will reside in the former home of his parents near the Schell bridge. He is employed as baggage master at the East Northfield station.

Doing Important Task

Among the Mount Hermon men who are doing important work in the field of foreign relations is Paul M. Atkins of the class of 1911, whose article in the Saturday Evening Post a few months ago at Dakar focused the attention of America on this area, which has since become one of the important theatres of the war. He has recently been assigned the important job of membership on a financial mission to the government of Iran where he will act as adviser on the regulation of State monopolies and serve as acting administrative head of this phase of the government's economic life.

Rev. Hiram W. Lyon

It is with deep regret that we have learned of the passing of the Reverend Hiram W. Lyon of Great Neck, N. Y., on Tuesday, December 29. Mr. Lyon was stricken with pneumonia just after Christmas. A memorial service was held on Sunday, January 3, in the Community church of Great Neck where Mr. Lyon was pastor for a number of years. He was a brother of Miss Florence Lyon of Northfield Seminary and is well remembered as one of the finest preachers in Sage chapel each year.

More Books Needed In Another Campaign As A Victory Effort

Throughout the nation the Victory Book Campaign committees will make their appeal for 1943. Citizens will be asked to contribute worthwhile books, such as may be found on their bookshelves or on their living room table. Our men and women in uniform are clamoring for more and better books. Every member of the family can be of help in the effort which is again about to begin. A book that you would like to keep, is a good book to give. Worn out books and obsolete editions are not wanted. Heading the Massachusetts Division of the campaign is Milton E. Lord, Director of the Boston Library with John J. Connolly as executive assistant. There has been named a large sponsoring committee and local town committees will be named for the second drive. Mrs. George W. Norton, librarian of the Dickinson Library, is chairman for Northfield. The Campaign committee doesn't want any attic cleaning this time and quality is more important than quantity especially in view of the impairment of transportation facilities. There is no gas and no times to waste on collecting unusable books. If you wish to contribute any now, send them in to Mrs. Norton at the Dickinson Library, marked plainly for Victory book campaign.

To Increase Production

1943 means "over the top" for Massachusetts' 20,000 farmers who will tackle their biggest production job of the war thus far—meeting the food for freedom goals.

Bay State farmers have been asked to turn record amounts of food off the farm assembly lines during 1943. In spite of the many difficulties facing them, our farmers will do everything in their power to meet the goals, says William A. Munson, director of the State College Extension Service.

Massachusetts farm production goals for this year are as follows: over 800,000,000 pounds of milk from 130,000 cows; about 61,000,000 dozens of eggs; over 290,000 turkeys; nearly 12,000,000 chickens, many of which will be sold as baby chicks to poultrymen in other states; over 13,600 hogs; and 4,000 sheep and lambs.

Massachusetts farmers will also aim at producing 40,000 acres of corn, 7,000 acres of oats, over 335,000 acres of hay, and over 20,000 acres of potatoes.

Goals for commercial vegetables have not yet been set, although increases have been requested for most all vegetables because of their high nutritive value. It is expected that definite goals for vegetables will be set in the very near future.

For Music Lovers

Considerable interest is being shown among townspeople as well as by Seminary faculty and students in the series of Friday evening sonata recitals being given in Phillips Hall this winter by Bert H. Wabeke, violinist, and Mme. Maria Gregoire, pianist. Three recitals of the series of six are still to be heard and announcements of the dates will be made in these columns so that local music lovers may continue to enjoy the work of these accomplished artists.

Regan Promoted



W. J. REGAN of St. Albans, an employee of the Central Vermont Railway for 26 years, has recently been promoted to district passenger agent with headquarters at St. Albans. Originally a resident of Fairfax, Regan has served in the Central Vermont passenger department since 1924. He entered C. V. service in the transportation department April 28, 1916.

Get Ready Now For Town Meeting Comes Early This Year February 1 Reports, Appropriations, Election

Candidates Named By Nomination Papers

The first Monday of February when the annual town meeting must be held, comes early this year, on Monday, February 1st, and will be called to order at 10 o'clock in the morning. Since last Friday the examiner from the state auditing department has been here, checking up the various financial accounts and it is expected he will conclude his work this week-end. It is said that the town is in a good position, although many persons have found it difficult to meet the tax burdens.

The reports of all officers and departments will be presented at the annual meeting for consideration, and the articles of the Warrant will be acted upon to provide for the appropriations for the coming year. The usual officers of the town will have to be chosen and these whose terms expire are: Town Clerk, Josephine S. Haskell; Treasurer, Charles F. Slate; Selectmen, Fred A. Holton, George W. Carr, F. Myron Dunnell; Assessor, Fred S. Merrifield; Moderator, William F. Hoeft; Library Trustees, Samuel E. Walker, Mary G. Parker; School committee, Sidney H. Given; Cemetery Commissioner, Carlton W. Holton; Constables, Harry M. Haskell, Martin E. Vorce, Herman A. Miner, Murray M. Hammond; Tree Warden, Dean Williams.

The Town Moderator will call the meeting to order promptly at the appointed hour and the Town Clerk will present the Warrant. The polls providing for the election will open by announcement and close at a time decided upon at the meeting.

Since the Republican Town Committee have voted unanimously not to hold a partisan caucus this year, there will probably not be a caucus. The committee will offer the names of its candidates for office by the filing of nomination papers for any office or in behalf of any candidate. All nominations must be in the hands of the Registrars not later than Friday, January 15, at 5 o'clock, to be filed with the Town Clerk before February 21, 5 p. m.

Appointive officers of the town who are to serve the coming year will be named by the Selectmen after their organization meeting. Members of the Finance Committee, whose terms will expire, are Charles C. Stearns and Ross L. Spencer.

Despite any unfavorable weather conditions which may exist, and the difficulties of transportation, owing to lack of gasoline and rubber, it is hoped that our voters may exert themselves and make definite plans to attend the town meeting.

A Missionary Institute Has Been Arranged

The Missionary committee of the Congregational church has arranged a three session Missionary Institute for Thursday evenings during January. The families of the church are invited to meet for supper at 6:30 in the vestry. The program will follow at 7:30.

January 14: The picture "India's Hope," will be shown by Mrs. E. J. Livingston.

January 21: "An Evening With Our Own Missionaries." Pictures of the Gifford Towles and their work in India will be shown. Reports and letters about Miss Annie Campbell and her churches of the Clinton Parish in Alabama.

January 28: Mrs. Delphine Lazelle Durgin, recently returned from Japan via the "Gripsholm," will speak.

Guard Members To Have Anniversary

Members of the 34th Company to the State Guard, Northfield, of which Max L. Huber is captain, will observe their first anniversary on Friday, January 15th, at the Town hall. There will be a supper at 6:30 o'clock for members and their families and following a public dance with excellent music will be held in the Town hall to which the public are cordially invited to attend.

Announce Engagement

The engagement is announced in Greenfield by Mr. and Mrs. Clarence King, of Alta E. Jones of East Cleveland street, to Harland F. Atwood, also of Greenfield, but formerly of Warwick avenue, this town. The date of the wedding has not been named.

Guatemala Greetings From The Land Of Mams

The Christmas greeting card received by friends in Northfield from Rev. and Mrs. Dudley Peck of Ostuncalco, Guatemala, delayed in the mails and, censor sealed, was really a personal letter with information as to all the family, their situation and their ambitions. Rev. and Mrs. Peck spent their younger years in Northfield as summer residents with their parents, who have passed away. They were married in Sage chapel and went to Guatemala, where Mr. Peck became under appointment a missionary to the Mam Indians, and during his stay there, translated the Bible into the Mam language. For twenty-five years, both he and his wife have labored and of his children, Elinor Ford Peck graduated from the Seminary and is now attending Wellesley college. William Jay Peck is attending the Central High at Cazenovia, N. Y. Two other children, Dorothy Jean and Paul Dudley, are with their parents. A most pleasing paragraph written is that they expect their furlough, believing after years of work, to bring them to Northfield, dear with experiences in their memory, to spend the summer in the home in Mountain Park, off the Winchester road. There will be a real family reunion here and many friends who know them so well, will be happy to extend them greetings.

Grenfell Work Aided

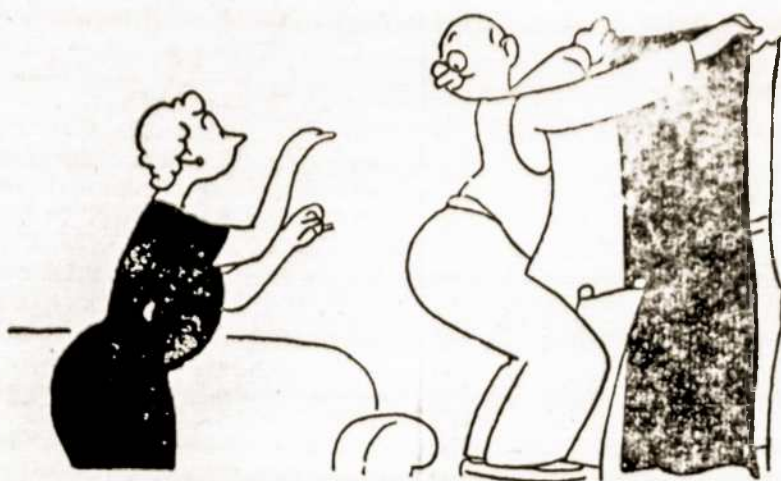
The Grenfell Association of America is to be aided to speed its work by a well advertised concert to be given by the Philadelphia Orchestra with Eugene Ormandy, conducting and with Marjorie Lawrence and Friedrich Schor as soloists in Carnegie hall in New York city, Tuesday evening, February 16th. Many of our citizens in Northfield are much interested because the late Sir Wilfred Grenfell visited here several times and remained for a stay at the Northfield hotel. Mrs. Andrew Carnegie is honorary chairman of the benefit program. The association supports the medical and social service work begun by the late Sir Grenfell for fishermen and their families on the isolated coasts of Labrador and northern Newfoundland, where today many Americans are serving in an outpost of American and British defense.

Hospitals Are Approved

Word has come that both the hospitals of Franklin County are on the approval list again this year of the American College of Surgeons. The Franklin County hospital and the Farren Memorial hospital meet the high qualifications demanded by the organizations. The sick and afflicted have the assurance that both of these hospitals can efficiently minister to their needs.

Announce Engagement

Mrs. Geneva Dawe of this town announces the engagement of her daughter, Lillian Florence Dawe, to Robert Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Allen of Gill. No date has been set for the wedding.



A V-home follows the air raid precautions recommended by its Local Defense Council. Are you still turning out lights or fussing with blackout makeshifts when the air raid warning sounds? This reminder of the need for real preparations was drawn for OCD by Gluyas Williams. Make your home a V-home!

The Stearns Garage Suffers Fire Damage

The first fire alarm for the new year came shortly after 2 o'clock last Friday afternoon, New Year's day, for a bad fire at the Stearns garage at the junction of routes 10 and 63. Mrs. Galen Stearns, proprietor and operator of the gas station, has an apartment upstairs, occupied by herself and son and daughter. The family were downstairs when sparks were seen dropping from above near the stairs and within a few minutes the whole second floor was ablaze with flames leaping from the windows. The fire department responded promptly and with nearly its full membership worked heroically and saved the building from a complete destruction. The second floor was entirely gutted however and furniture and clothing was destroyed. Firemen remained on duty at the building until late at night. The loss on the building and on furniture and household goods was partially covered by insurance. Mrs. Stearns and her children are staying nights with relatives until repairs can be made. She expresses her appreciation of the work of the fire department of which her late husband was at one time its chief, and to all friends who were so helpful to them at the time of the fire and since. The cause of the fire is not known.

With Girl Scouts

Troop 1 of the Northfield Girl Scouts will hold a special mother and daughter meeting at Alexander hall Monday afternoon, January 11, at 3:30 o'clock.

Miss Ruth Norton is in charge of the program. It will be a short play, titled, "A Nephew in the House."

The (G) girls taking part in the play are, Anne Livingston, Betty Taylor, Betty Wells, Ruth Norton, and Barbara Holton.

Mrs. William Marshall, chairman of the Girl Scout council, is in charge of refreshments.

Captain Anne A. Senior announces that the signias for the uniforms have arrived and are ready for distribution.

Grange To Install

The local Grange will hold its regular meeting Tuesday evening, January 12, at 8:00 o'clock, in the Grange hall. At this meeting the officers chosen for 1943 will be installed by Deputy Ralph Blackmer of Shelburne.

Town Skating Rink Meets Great Success Is Much Appreciated

The new community skating rink on Main street between the Congregational church and the mill stream, is being appreciated every day by more and more persons and last Sunday at one period there were over a hundred persons on the ice. The spraying of the rink with water nightly by the volunteer crew of workers is building an unusually fine service. The small cabin on the lot has been completed and is warm and comfortable and the lighting system is all that could be desired. The committee who have worked hard to conclude the enterprise are pleased with the patronage given the rink and now urge that adults in addition to the young folks, get on a pair of skates and join in the pleasure of the pastime. The suggestion of providing a skating rink which would provide absolute safety for the young folks in enjoying the sport, originated at a Brotherhood meeting and at that time a committee was named in charge of the matter. Over \$600 was subscribed by our citizens to ensure the success of the venture and construction was begun by the leveling off of the plot, rolling it perfectly level and creating an ice surface by the spraying method, which builds up the ice on top. Many are visiting the rink and it provides much interest in watching the skaters do their thing. The committee have accomplished their task and the rink is now open for the use of the people of this town both old and young.

Hermion-Seminary Sunday Speakers

Students of Northfield Seminary and Mount Hermon school have returned from their winter vacation and classes are again in full session on both campuses. Resuming the regular Sunday chapel services on January 10 will be Dr. Harold E. Luccock, professor of homiletics at the Yale Divinity school. Dr. Luccock was formerly editorial secretary of the Methodist Board of Foreign Missions and is widely known as an author of religious books. He will preach at the morning service at 11 a. m. and at five o'clock vesper. At Mount Hermon Memorial Chapel the guest speaker will be Dr. J. Seelye Bixler, president of Colby college and formerly Bussey professor of theology at Harvard university. The services will be held at 10:30 a. m. and at 5:30 in the afternoon.

Miss Calder Passes

Word was received in town this week of the death of Miss Dora Calder at her home in Brookline last Sunday. She had suffered a fall some time ago from the effects of which she had not recovered. The funeral was held in Providence on Tuesday and she was buried in the family plot in the cemetery there. Miss Calder had been a summer resident of this town for the past twenty years and she had a host of friends and acquaintances in Northfield.

Chance To Register

The Board of Registrars will sit at the Town hall, Saturday, January 9, from 7 to 9 p. m., and on Wednesday, January 20, from 12 noon to 10 p. m. in order to register those persons, whose names are not on the voting lists, who desire to qualify for voting at the annual Town Meeting on Monday, February 1st.

Rationing Notice

To take effect immediately all applications for supplemental gasoline must be made a week previous to absolute need. This also includes all other applications for rationing needs. The Board meets each Thursday evening to take action on all applications. The clerk will act only as an agent of the Board.

HUMANITY

What care I for caste or creed,
It is the deed, it is the deed;
What for class or what for clan,
It is the man, it is the man,
Heirs of love and joy and woe,
Who is high, and who is low,
Mountain, valley, sky and sea
Are for all humanity.
What care I for robe or stole,
It is the soul, it is the soul;
What for crown or what for crest,
It is the heart within the breast.
It is the faith, it is the hope,
It is the struggle of the slope,
It is the brain and eye to see
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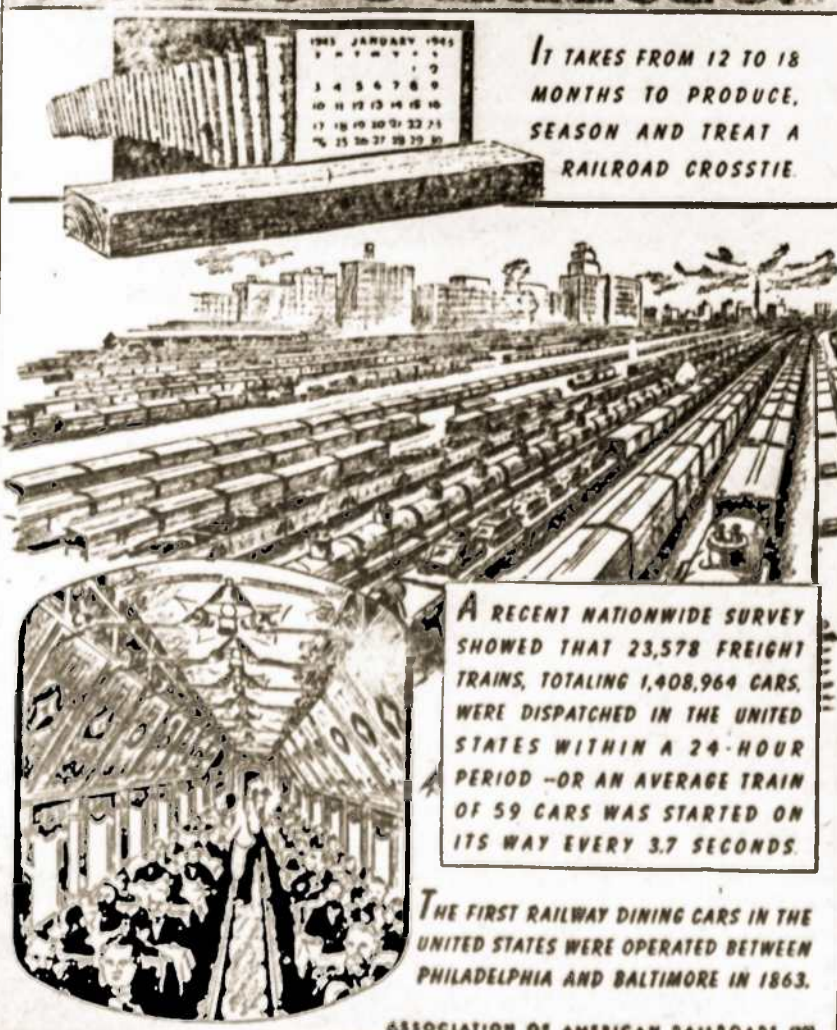
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Rail oddities



Congregational Church

Services on Sunday and events of the week are as follows:

Sunday at 10 a. m., Sunday school; 11, Morning worship. Sermon by Mr. Dahl. 3, Sunday school at Northfield Farms; 6:30, Christian Endeavor consecration meeting, Helen Howard in charge.

Monday: 7:15, Boy Scouts meet. Tuesday: 7:30, Meeting of the Standing committee at the home of Miss Isabella Thompson.

Wednesday: 3:00, The Mothers' Society will meet at the home of Mrs. W. R. Moody. Mrs. Connie Moody-Dickerson will speak.

Thursday: The first of three sessions of a Missionary Institute sponsored by the Missionary committee of the church, will be held in the vestry. 6:30, Supper. Each family is invited to bring its own supper, and cocoa will be served by the committee. 7:30, The picture, "India's Hope," shown at the evening service. 8:30, Choir rehearsal.

Unitarian Church

Next Sunday at 10:45 a. m., service of worship, sermon topic, "One God, One Humanity." Recognizing the anniversary of the International Association for Liberal Christianity and Religious Freedom. Rev. Arthur Heeb, minister, Mrs. L. Percy Goodspeed, choir leader and organist. A cordial welcome to all. Church school, 10 a. m., "Feeding Hungry Children."

Mr. Heeb will lead the morning devotion over station WHAI Wednesday at 9 a. m.

On account of M. and M. the class in social expression will not be held Friday, January 8.

Speaking on "Creative Religion" at Sunday, Mr. Heeb said in part: A one or a ten talent man who hides his talent in the ground is a no talent man. This talent of which Jesus spoke in his famous parable, was not a heavy gold coin, neither was it a gift for art or science. Jesus meant to illustrate the religious nature of man — come with smaller, some with larger insight — but to be put to its full use as a creative source of abundant life.

Think of standing before the Eternal Power, now or at some future day, and saying — if you are a one talent person — "Here, Lord, is your talent, I give you back your own." What an uncreative life that would be. Why should not such a soul be kept in outer darkness with "dead souls"?

E. Stanley Jones, asking about the shape of life at a Chinese college some years ago, asked: Is life shaped like a bubble, a bomb or an egg? A bubble has nothing in it, a bomb has power to wreck, compulsion is in its heart. Life is not like that. It is, like an egg, the seeds of the future is in its heart. It grows from within where God is always at work. Christ's religion is this sublime truth "Eternal life in the midst of time." Creative souls live and grow by this light. This is not theology that divides but living truth that opens the door of the kingdom of heaven.

Hostel Activities

The showing of films at the Hostel Saturday include, "You Are Not So Tough," Hilly Seals, and Alpine Journey.

At a supper meeting of the local Youth Hostel committee on Tuesday evening plans for the year were discussed. It was decided that a junior committee of young people in the town should be set up to serve as an active group in representing the hostel. Plays, dances, short hikes, trail marking, and the like, are some of the things planned.

In discussing the town movies which have been consistently losing money, it was decided that films for the young people would be best. These films can be rented at lower cost, and can therefore be shown to smaller crowds without loss.

West Northfield and South Vernon

The annual meeting of the Vernon Union church was held last Monday evening. Rev. Ellis E. Jones is pastor.

The Loyal Workers of the South Vernon church at its annual meeting elected the following officers: President, Vera Vaughan; vice-president, Glen Murray; secretary, Grace Tenney; treasurer, Elsie Tenney. The chairman of social committee, Joyce Cutler; membership, Alton Cutler; devotional, Courtlandt Dunklee.

Ensign Laurie Harris of the navy, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Harris, has completed training at Cornell college and is returned to Harvard university for further instruction.

A. H. Fanum is a great grandfather. Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Wright of Rhinebeck, N. Y., announce the birth of a daughter December 8th. Mrs. Wright is the daughter of Mr. Fanum's daughter.

The young son, Roy Edward, born to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Mark of Saxtons River, Vt., is a grandson to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred E. Holton and a great grandson to Mrs. C. I. Holton and to Mrs. Eugene Labelle.

Rev. Elvin W. Blackstone of Lafayette, R. I., who accepted the call to the pastorate of the South Vernon church, will preach his first sermon at the Sunday morning worship at 10:30 o'clock. Sunday school will meet at 11:45. The Loyal Workers meet at 6:30 and at 7:30 the usual evening service will again be held.

A woman's fondest wish is to be weighed and found wanting.

Mistress: "The master has acquired a new Rembrandt."
Maid: "Yes, ma'am. The other was getting quite old and faded, wasn't it?"

"My dad's a bookkeeper," said little Jimmy proudly.
"I know it," said little Mary. "He borrowed one of Daddy's books three months ago."

Hubby: "What are you doing with my Encyclopedia Britannica?"
Wife: "I'm looking for something."

Hubby: "Can't you use a ladder or a chair?"

Teacher: "Why, Mary, that's a queer pair of stockings you have on — one green and one brown."
Mary: "Yes, and I've got another pair like these at home."

"Spare a dime, lady, to keep the wolf from the door."
"Don't be absurd. There aren't any wolves in Boston."

"I want to buy my girl a present. What do you think she'd like?"

"Does she like you?"
"Yes, I'm sure she likes me."
"Then she'll like anything."

"I suppose when you proposed to Jane she said that it was so sudden."
"No." She said, "The suspense has been awful."

At a popular port all the crew applied for shore leave except one man.

"What's the matter?" asked the officer. "Are you the only sailor who hasn't got a wife in this port?"

"No," replied the exception. "I'm the only one that has!"

The mother of a careless aviator tried to tell friends of his crash with the aeroplane and said he had a bad crash, but luckily he got out on bail.

Barber (whispering to new helper) — Here comes a man for a shave.

Helper — Let me practice on him.

Barber — All right, but be careful and don't cut yourself.

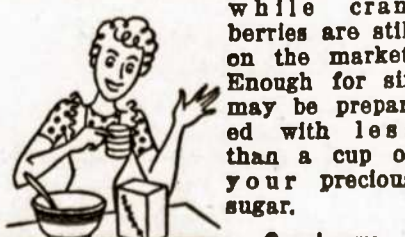
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Another Cranberry Treat

— By Frances Lee Barton —

BELOW you will find a recipe for a particularly delicious and very novel cranberry treat. Try it while cranberries are still on the market. Enough for six may be prepared with less than a cup of your precious sugar.



Cranberry Tapioca

2 cups cooked, sweetened cranberries; 2 cups cranberry juice and water; 3 tablespoons quick-cooking tapioca; 1/4 teaspoon salt; 1 teaspoon grated orange rind.

Drain juice from cooked cranberries; add water to juice to make 2 cups. Combine tapioca, salt, and cranberry juice and water in saucepan and mix well. Bring mixture quickly to a full boil over direct heat, stirring constantly. Remove from fire (mixture will be thin. Do not overcook.) Add cranberries and orange rind. Cool, stirring occasionally — mixture thickens as it cools. Chill. Serves 6.

For 2 cups cooked, sweetened cranberries, cut 2 cups cranberries in half and wash; add 1 cup water and cook gently until soft. Add 1/4 cup sugar. Cool.

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Partners in this war, Third Officer Ruth Fowler of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps and Second Lieutenant Herbert L. Lamme examine a poster telling of enlistment opportunities for men of eighteen and nineteen. Both Lieutenant Fowler and Lieutenant Lamme earned their bars by going to Officer Candidate Schools. Lieutenant Fowler was commissioned after completing the WAAC course at Fort Des Moines, Iowa. Lieutenant Lamme enlisted in the Army as a private and won his commission in the Infantry at Fort Benning, Georgia. He is nineteen years of age. All young men of eighteen and nineteen, he says, should take advantage of their opportunity to pick their branch of service now.

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"Are you a pharmacist?" she asked the young man at the soda fountain.
"No, ma'am," he replied, "I'm a fizzician."

Wife: "I see by the paper that women are getting men's wages these days."
Husband: "Humph—they always have, one way or another."

Two Negro workers were dismissed from their war-time jobs and were trying to account for the act. Finally one said he thought they were frozen on the job and grumbled much, but the other quick with a reply said, we may have been frozen but we sure are defrosted now.

A party of tourists came upon an Indian brave riding a pony. A heavily burdened squaw walked beside him.
"Why doesn't the squaw ride?" asked the tourist.
"Ugh," grunted the Indian, "she got no pony."

Mother: Now, Reggie, wouldn't you like to give your bunny as a present to that poor little boy who hasn't a father?
Reggie (clutching rabbit): Couldn't we give him father instead?

Here is a slogan for the careless pedestrian: Remember that cars have steel bodies but you haven't.

Advice to speeders. . . Always drive slower than you think is necessary.

Diner: "Look here, waiter. You've got your sleeve in my soup."
Waiter: "That's quite all right, sir. It's only an old coat."

"What is the average man's idea of the proper system of taxation?"
"A system that will tax whatever he hasn't any of."

Grandpa—When I was a young man, my ambition was to have a gig and a gal.

Dad—Well, when I was a boy I wanted a flivver and a flapper.
Son—Hey, Pop, how about me having a plane and a jane?

Attractive Young Miss—"I'm looking for something particularly nice for a young man."
Salesman—"Have you looked in the mirror?"

"I believe in saying it with flowers."
"Yes, but you only sent me one rose."

"Well, you know I never talk much."

TOWN TOPICS

Everett Doolittle, who is employed at the Seminary barns, has been quite ill at his home with pneumonia but now convalescing.

The Fortnightly will meet this afternoon at 8 o'clock at Alexander hall in regular scheduled session when Mrs. Helen Gethman of the Seminary will be the speaker.

Mrs. William F. Hoehn, who has been quite ill for the past two weeks and confined to her room, is now much improved and able to be about a few hours each day.

Dr. Richard G. Holton and his sister, Miss Marion Holton, returned last week-end from a pleasant sojourn with their brother and family in Ohio.

Judge and Mrs. S. Foster of Liberty, N. Y., were recent guests at the Northfield hotel. They were accompanied by her sister, Miss Angel. Mrs. Foster was a former teacher of music at the Seminary.

The public schools opened last Monday after the Christmas holiday. There are quite a number of cases of mumps and measles in town so that the enrollment in one or two rooms was low for the opening days. The older pupils have not been badly afflicted as yet.

Monroe Smith, director of the Youth Hostel, took a large group of hostellers up to the Meredith, N. H., hotel in his truck over New Year's week-end to enjoy the sport of outdoors on skis.

There was a record attendance of young people at the local Hostel over the Christmas Reunion period. They all enjoyed their stay in Northfield and spent the time, in hostel fashion, with outdoor sports, and social pastimes indoors.

Mrs. Theresa Ellis of Lexington has been a New Year's guest of Mrs. Bertha Leach at her home on Main street.

Mrs. Harold F. Bigelow has been confined to her home for a few days because of illness, but is now improving.

Miss Bessie Moore of White Plains, N. Y., who has spent the holiday vacation with her mother, Mrs. Jennie S. Moore of Maple street, has returned to her teaching position.

The Mother's Society will hold its monthly meeting January 13 at 3 p. m., at the home of Mrs. W. R. Moody. Mrs. Connie Dickerson will be the speaker. All mothers in the town are cordially invited to attend this meeting and share the very interesting talk.

Dr. William E. Park will preach at the vespers service in Thompson Memorial chapel at Williams college this Sunday afternoon and will remain in Williamstown to take part in the Williams Christian Association Embassy which will begin on Monday, January 11.

We have received a friendly word from Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Campbell, formerly of this town, who are now located in Utica, N. Y. Mr. Campbell is enjoying the army life but the weather has been very cold. The Press is more than welcome and both read it to keep in touch with Northfield and their friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Buell of Pittsfield were registered at the Northfield hotel over the week-end. They greeted many local friends while here.

The local militia company, Massachusetts State Guard, 34th Co., gave a dance at the Town hall on New Year's eve with a goodly attendance. The proceeds are to be used for the purchase of uniforms for the Junior Guard.

Richard B. Smith of Reading, Pa., son of Mrs. N. Fay Smith of this town, has accepted a position with the American Red Cross as a club director for overseas duty. He will report to Washington for training. He visited his mother here last week.

Norton Field was home for the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Field. He has been inducted in the army and will begin training as an army engineer within a few weeks.

Rev. Edward Dahl of the local Congregational church participated in the service of rededication of the Sunderland Congregational church last Sunday evening. He gave the Litany dedication. The church has recently completed considerable improvements and the service marked the 225th anniversary of the installation of its first minister.

Rev. and Mrs. Wade H. Barnes of Elk Grove, Cal., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Katherine Lydia Barnes to Harvey Sanford Gunn of the USNR. Miss Barnes is a niece of Mrs. L. B. LaBella of this town.

Jack Polhemus, who is a student at the University of Texas and who has been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cortland Finch, left last week on his return trip, but will visit friends enroute in Jersey.

The music program heard over WHAI in the devotional hour Tuesday morning of last week was arranged by Mr. Lawrence and the quartette consisted of Robert Taylor, George Leonard, Walter H. Waite and A. P. Pitt. Dr. George Bromson was the speaker.

Dr. Wallace Chesbro, for many years a summer resident of the Ridge at the home of his parents and who saw service in Guadalcanal, is at the Oakland, Cal., Naval Base hospital for treatment of a shrapnel wound in his right hand.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stetson Ivory of this town at the Franklin County hospital on New Year's day, January 1, 1943; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Marquart of Crestline, Ohio, and Mrs. Gertrude Ivory of Rosindale.

Joseph Zabko of Pine Meadow road, the Farms, has completed his naval training at the Naval Training station at Newport and is to attend a school for quarter-masters now.

The Connecticut Valley Mineral Club held a session at the Springfield (Mass.) Museum of Natural History last Tuesday evening with the showing of a government film on copper mining in Arizona.

Harry Erickson of Mount Hermon conducted the service at the Metcalf Memorial chapel in Warwick last Sunday morning.

The federal food stamp has been suspended by the government and there are to be no more foods available for distribution among the needy, but the supply will be continued for school lunches and child care centers.

Some good timber is being cut in the Highlands section by local citizens for their fuel supply.

Mrs. William Marshall and family spent the Christmas holiday with her husband, Capt. William Marshall at New London, Conn.

Miss Mary M. McGaffin and her roommate at Vassar college spent last week as guests of her aunt, Mrs. William R. Moody at the Homestead.

Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Pallam of the Birmam road have returned from a short holiday vacation spent in New York city.

Mrs. Cleveland Cochran and family of South Main street were visitors in New York and New Jersey last week and while there it was necessary for Jean Cochran to have an appendix operation in the Englewood hospital December 28.

A daughter, Susan Vail, was born to Dr. and Mrs. William E. Park of this town at the Franklin County hospital on Wednesday, December 30; granddaughter of Mrs. Douglas Knox of East Marion, L. I., and Dr. and Mrs. J. Edgar Park of Norton.

Dr. and Mrs. Lewis Hodous of Hartford, Conn., spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Erickson at Mount Hermon. Mrs. Erickson is their daughter. Dr. Hodous while here addressed the Rotary meeting at the Weldon hotel last week Wednesday in Greenfield.

Senator and Mrs. George D. Aiken of Putney, Vt., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Barbara Aiken, to Pvt. Malcolm S. Jones also of Putney, who is serving with the Army Air force at Fort Collins, Col. Miss Barbara has friends here.

There will be no tow at ski resorts this winter owing to the lack of gasoline for this purpose, according to rationing officials. However the trails will be used for the fascinating sport even if the summit must be climbed afoot.

Charles H. Taber, son of Prof. and Mrs. C. F. Taber of Pine street, is at the army air base in Santa Anna, California, and was inducted in the air corps last month.

It is reported that Charles Leach, Jr., with the signal corps of the army is now somewhere in Africa.

The former Galbraith home at Northfield Farms has been purchased by Celia W. Tedford of Shelburne.

Arthur Rudman, well known among Mount Hermon friends, a former pastor of the First Congregational church of Greenfield and a member of the faculty of Springfield college, is now serving as New England regional staff member for the United Service organization.

Again the Northfield hotel entertained a large group of our citizens in the "Neighborhood Night" last Wednesday evening, when a fine supper was served and the evening spent in a social manner. No need of denying oneself of a social evening when this opportunity exists within walking distance of most of our homes.

He was in a fearful temper. As he went out he jammed his hat on his head, scowled at his wife and left her without a word. She called after him:

"You have forgotten something."

"Well, what?"

"You didn't slam the door."

Mistress: "Marie, you were entertaining a man in the kitchen last night, weren't you?"

Marie: "That's for him to say, ma'am. But I tried my best."

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Boy: "Do you know, dad, that in some parts of India a man doesn't know his wife until he marries her?"
Dad: "Why single out India?"

Mistress (annoyed): "How do you manage to make so much noise in the kitchen, Norah?"

Cook: "Well, you just try to break four plates without making a noise."

Pretty Caller: "Do you think the superintendent will see me now?"

Chief Clerk: "Certainly, Madam, the superintendent always has time to see pretty girls."

Pretty Caller: "Well, tell him that his wife is here."

"Once when I was alone on outpost duty and the enemy attacked me, I formed a line."

"What—a line of one?"

"Yes, I formed a bee-line for the rear."

"If you broke a dish a day for six years," sighed the husband, "how much money would the loss represent?"

"About six dollars less than you sunk in that copper mine in Honolulu," replied the patient wife.

When Company Comes

By Frances Lee Barton

HERE is a cake that delighted English hostesses and their guests in pre-war days. Fortunately, we can still secure the ingredients without dipping too deeply into our budget or sugar ration. Try it and see how it fits into a dinner menu or evening lunch, when special guests are being entertained.

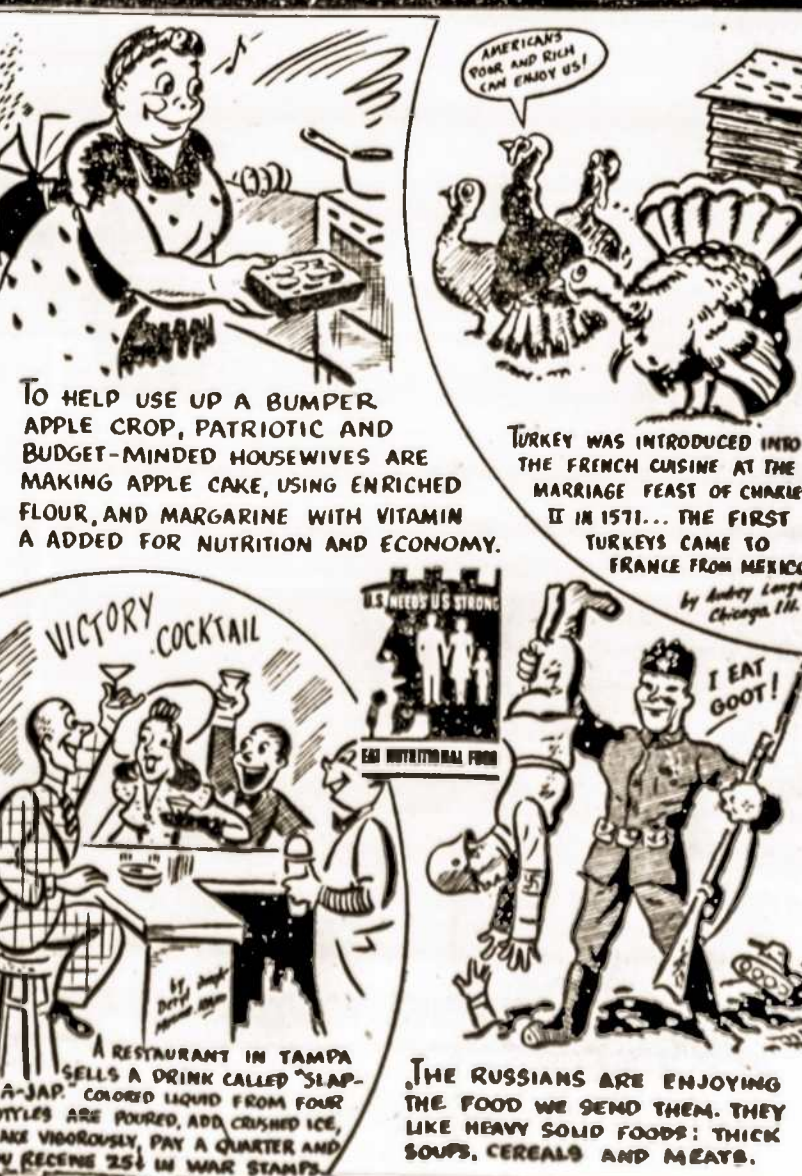
English Dundee Cake
3 cups sifted cake flour; 1 teaspoon double-acting baking powder; 1/2 teaspoon salt; 1 cup butter or other shortening; 1 cup sugar; 4 eggs, well beaten; 1/2 cup blanched and shredded almonds; 2 1/2 cups seedless raisins; 1/2 cup finely cut preserved orange peel; 1/4 cup finely cut preserved lemon peel; 2 teaspoons grated orange rind; 2 tablespoons orange juice; 1/4 cup almonds, blanched and split.

Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder and salt, and sift three times. Cream butter thoroughly, add sugar gradually and cream until light and fluffy. Add eggs and beat well. Add shredded almonds, raisins, peel, and orange rind and juice to batter, mixing well. Add flour in two parts, mixing well after each. Turn into two loaf pans, 8x4x2-inches, which have been greased, lined with heavy paper, and greased again. Arrange split almonds on top. Bake in slow oven (300° F.) 1 hour and 40 minutes, or until done.

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"Where there is Love
There is Faith
Where there is Faith
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There is God
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There is no need."

GARDEN INDOORS

Even with all the snow and ice outdoors and winter storms raging, there is a bit of the words, that can be brought indoors as a bit of the living "green." With flowers scarce and costly, one can have a touch of nature in the living things upon their table or a shelf inside the house. Have a dish garden or a terrarium and with some soil or leafmold with clumps of moss fill the basin and then put in some of the tiny plants which are yet obtainable from under the trees in the woods where the snow has not fully covered. The shrubs, the tiny trees, the birch, the spice bush, the pine, the vine and pigeon berries are plentiful and provide a fine adornment. Here is cheer at our doors, why not avail ourselves of it.

PERMANENT

The evidence continues to accumulate that much of the program of Civilian Defense, a wartime measure, is here to stay. It may be of immense value after peace comes to the world. The volunteer workers who are so efficient now will have the benefit of their present experiences. The curriers who replaced wire service in the recent sleet storm, the wardens and rescue squads who stood by while floods threatened, the auxiliary police and auxiliary firemen who so well assisted in the recent big fires at Brockton and Stafford Springs, are the latest events that point to the permanency of civilian defense. The story of the heroic watchers along the shores of Cape Cod has already been told. Yes, Civilian Defense may be a permanent proposition.

PROBLEMS

Everybody in business these days have problems which provide a continual headache and newspaper publishers are no exception to the rule. Whether one issues a large paper or a small one, there are facts to face, in new-print, ink and labor, but like all small businesses the little fellow has the hard going. Advertising has been cut and only essential space is taken. The editor of the Press is not without his worries, but will endeavor to meet the issues as they arise and inform his readers. We regret the irregularity of recent issues, due to labor, weather, and mailing and cannot promise that it might not happen again. So reader, please be patient.

LIGHT AND HOPE

Dr. Ralph W. Sockman said in his Sunday broadcast of December 27, "May the light of these Holy Days linger." For this great hope these lines from Emerson have their message. Let me feel that I am to be a lover. I am to see to it that the world is better for me, and to find reward in the act. Love would put a new face on this weary old world in which we dwell as pagans and enemies too long; and it would warm the heart to see how fast the vain diplomacy of statesmen, the impotence of armies and navies and lines of defense, would be superseded by this unarmed child. This great, overgrown, dead Christendom of ours still keeps alive at least the name of a lover of mankind. Be one day all men will be lovers; and every calamity will be dissolved in the universal sunshine.

Tobacco Outlook Good

The 1943 outlook for cigar tobacco growers is good. Cigar consumption is increasing, and prices are favorable, reports State College agricultural economists.

Unless production of necessary crops in the food program limits tobacco production, some increases in the acreage of the binder and filler types seem justified, state the specialists.

The 1942 cigar tobacco production in the United States is about 5.5 per cent less than in 1941. The total supply, however, is expected to be about the same, due to slightly larger reserve stocks. Acreage of both Connecticut Valley Broadleaf and Havana Seed declined during 1942.

Cigar consumption was about seven per cent higher than in 1941. Since cigar consumption responds to changes in consumer income, some further increases in the demand for cigars is expected during the next year.

Indications are that the total supply of U. S. tobacco will be about the same as last year, but cigars and cigar leaf obtained from overseas probably will be considerably smaller. There is much tobacco grown about Northfield.

Public Forum Patriotism At Home

A boy, sixteen years of age, with four brothers in the service of our country, arises at four o'clock in the morning and milks seven or eight cows, goes to high school and in the evening, milks as many as eighteen cows. This I call patriotism at home and of a very high order.

I wish to speak of this boy through the courtesy of the Northfield Press because he may be one of the easily forgotten boys who today are doing more than a man's job. Dairy farms in Vermont have been closed for want of help. Dairy prices have gone up. Upon this boy, in our midst, with many like him rests very heavily the responsibility of keeping the home, with its children, supplied with nourishment.

May I salute this boy and all young men and women who in their growing years, when an extra hour's sleep means so much to the physical body, arise, while it is still night and serve us and our country's needs.

Let us be a bit more considerate of these young people, a little more patient, give a word of recognition of their service and their loyalty. Forbid that in their long hours of toil, while others sleep or play, that they should feel, forgotten.

Arthur Heeb.

Know Massachusetts

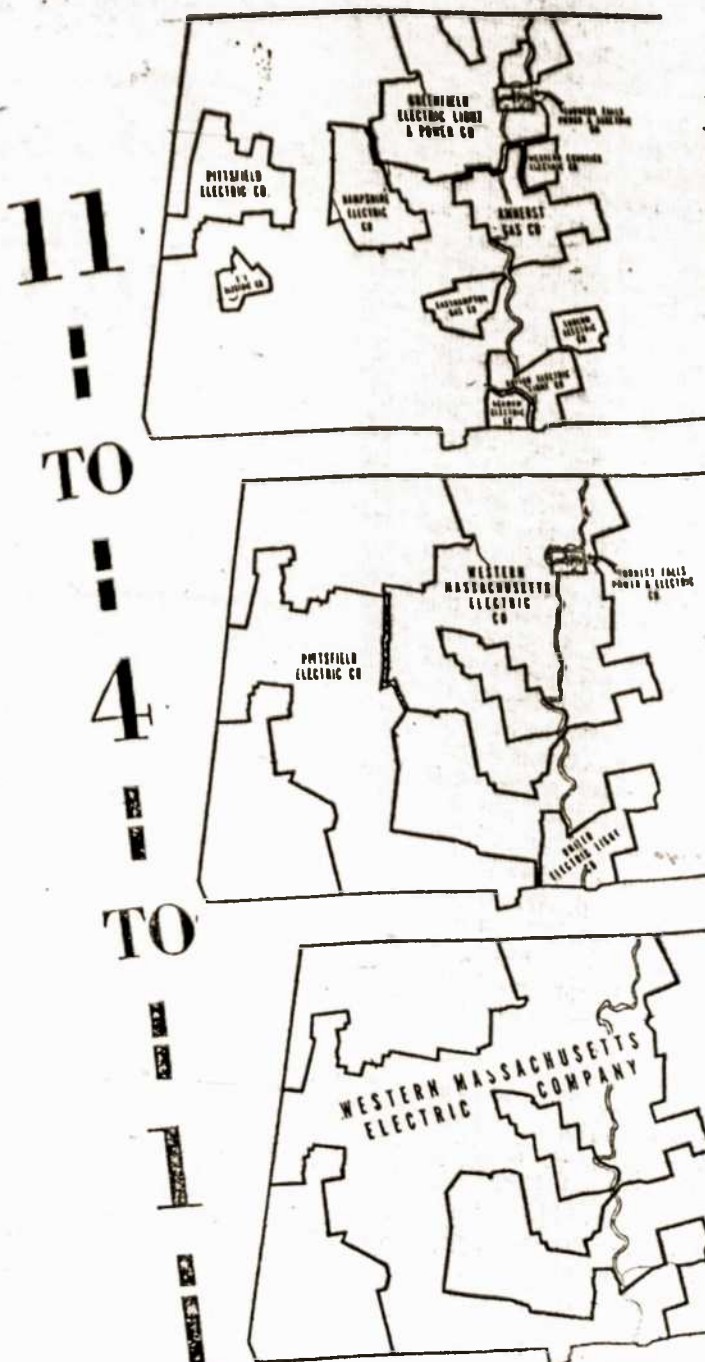
DO YOU KNOW THAT... Experience in Boston transportation shows clearly that more business concerns and individual officers will have to change their closing hours to come before five o'clock or after six o'clock to reduce peak travel. Welfare distribution of "surplus commodities" in Massachusetts during the first ten months of 1942 amounted to \$5,890,171, compared with \$7,545,385 in the same period of 1941. The number of persons in the Commonwealth receiving general relief dropped from 40,567 in October, 1941, to 26,000 in October, 1942, with reduction in monthly cost from \$965,046 to \$638,482. According to the census in 1940, there were 1,594,760 males resident in Massachusetts aged 15 years or older, and 1,734,680 females, a balance of 139,920 more females than males; which may be related to the fact that the percentage of single women in Massachusetts, 34 per cent, was the highest of any state in the Union and compared with 26.2 per cent for the total United States. By 1833 and for years afterward a line of barges known as "luggers" was operated to carry freight on the Connecticut river from Hartford to Wells river. They were towed by steamboat to Willimansett, then drawn over the falls by oxen and picked up again by steamer above the South Hadley canal. A number of Massachusetts communities are considering the feasibility of amendments to their zoning ordinances and by-laws to co-operate with the conversion program sponsored by the National Housing Agency. Dollar value of Christmas trade in Boston this year is estimated at about 10 per cent larger than a year ago. Contracts for 673 new factory buildings were awarded in the first ten months of 1942. Of the 770,000,000 gallons of gasoline used as motor fuel in Massachusetts during 1941, passenger cars took 76.5 per cent, trucks 19.6 per cent, and buses 3.9 per cent. The number of persons employed by the W. P. A. in Massachusetts has dropped from about 55,000 a year ago to less than 13,000 and is now being reduced at the rate of four to five hundred persons per week, due mainly to the opportunities opened in private employment. Bill Cummings of Greenfield, one of the River Gods of the early 1900's, was so strong that he could lift a barrel of salt with one hand by putting two fingers in the bung hole. Demands for aid to dependent children in Massachusetts during October this year averaged 10,479 cases; a drop of 15 per cent from October, 1941. The Superior Court at Salem has handed down a decision recently restraining the use of property in the two-family district for three-family occupancy. A Chinese cook was walking through the woods. He turned around to see a grizzly bear following, smelling of his tracks. "H'm," said the Chinese, "you like my tracks? Velly good, I makee some more."

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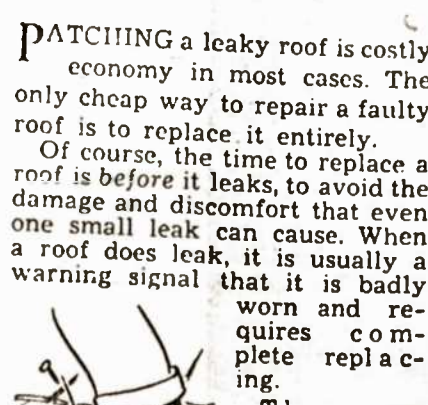
During this period, combined operations were simplified by consolidating the eleven original companies into FOUR companies. Millions of dollars were invested in plant facilities and lines to strengthen interconnections and bring electric service to fourteen additional communities.

NOW - IN 1943--

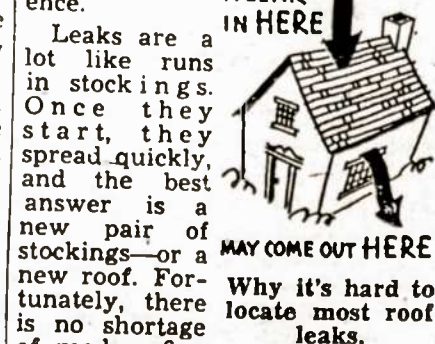
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PATCHING a leaky roof is costly economy in most cases. The only cheap way to repair a faulty roof is to replace it entirely. Of course, the time to replace a roof is before it leaks, to avoid the damage and discomfort that even one small leak can cause. When a roof does leak, it is usually a warning signal that it is badly worn and requires complete replacement. There are many reasons why roofs don't last. They don't lend themselves to patching, and the reasons vary with the type of roofing material involved. Certain facts, however, hold good for all types of roofs. The first place, even experienced roofers have difficulty locating a roof leak, is the water often runs down inside the joints of the roof boards. Some roof leaks actually run uphill, so even the law of gravity isn't always applicable. Walking on an old roof to find additional leaks frequently starts or cups shingles crack and start their nails underfoot. Every cracked shingle and every loosened nail is a potential leak. Of all types of leaks, the "invisible" leak is the most dangerous. Unseen water from such a leak may run down inside the roof structure into the walls of the house where it can do an immense amount of damage before stained wallpaper, falling plaster or peeling paint betrays its presence. Leaks are a lot like runs in stockings. Once they start, they spread quickly, and the best answer is a new pair of stockings—or a new roof. Fortunately, there is no shortage of good roofing materials for such necessary replacements. Such materials as asphalt shingles are still available for necessary re-roofing and can be laid right over the old roof to help hold in the heat while they hold out the rain. These shingles have the advantage of being highly resistant to fire, and should be applied when the old roof shows first signs of failure. Making the roof do for the duration may mean a new roof, but nothing in the house will be safe if the roof leaks or is flammable. On the other hand, no new roof should be applied unless the condition of the old roof makes it necessary.



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Sun., Mon., Tues., Wed. Jan. 10-13
"SPRINGTIME IN THE ROCKIES"
Betty Grable, Carmen Miranda,
Cesar Romero, John Payne,
Harry James and his Music
Makers

Thurs., Fri., Sat. Jan. 14-16
"WAR AGAINST MRS. HADLEY"
Edward Arnold, Fay Bainter,
Richard Ney, Jean Rogers

Fri. and Sat. Jan. 8-9
"SHERLOCK HOLMES AND THE VOICE OF TERROR"
Basil Rathbone, Nigel Bruce,
Evelyn Ankers

Sun., Mon., Tues. Jan. 10-12
"THE OLD CHISHOLM TRAIL"
Johnny Mack Brown, Tex Ritter

Wed. and Thurs. Jan. 13-14
"BUSSERS ROAR"
Richard Travis—Julie Bishop

"PRIVATE BUCKAROO"